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Of Special Interest This Week

+ On 26 April FBIS responded to requests from the Office of the Secretary of Defense asking for an alleged PRAVDA or TASS report in which the Soviets were said to have congratulated the U.S. Congress on the vote denying aid to the Nicaraguan contras. After checks with its London bureau, FBIS was able to assure the requesters that no such congratulations had been offered.

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+ FBIS has been asked by the U. S. Embassy in Cairo for an assessment of current Egyptian media treatment of Libya. The Embassy feels that the Egyptians have taken a much more aggressive and hostile tone in their commentary on Qadhafi since the Sudan coup.

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+ FBIS gave a briefing on its Modernization Program to the DIA Foreign Intelligence Directorate. Additional meetings will be held to determine the optimum DIA interface for the FBIS electronic product. FBIS also briefed one of Under Secretary of State Armacost's special assistants on satellite communications, international television, and current developments in information technology.

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+ At the request of a PFIAB staffer, FBIS translated several Turkish press articles containing statements to Turkish prosecutors by attempted papal assassin Ali Agca.

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